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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §1.97, Applicant submits a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, including two (2) pages of Form PTO-1449, copies of two (2) documents cited therein, and a copy of the International Search Report mailed on April 5, 2006, in the corresponding PCT Application PCT/US03/28842.

Pursuant to the waiver in the notice entitled "Information Disclosure Statements May Be Filed Without Copies of U.S. Patents and Published Applications in Patent Applications Filed After June 30, 2003 " published on August 5, 2003 in 1273 OG 55, copies of the cited U.S. Patents is not enclosed. A copy will be provided upon request, however.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) prior to a first Office Action on the merits. It is believed that no fee is required with this

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Foreign Documents

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WO 98/39453	09-11-1998	Monsanto Company	PCT

Publications

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Remarks

This statement should not be interpreted as a representation that an exhaustive search has been conducted or that no better art exists. Moreover, Applicant invites the Examiner to make an independent evaluation of the cited art to determine its relevance to the subject matter of the present application. Applicant is of the opinion that his claims patentably distinguish over the art referred to herein, either alone or in combination.

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